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State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Drinking Water

March 15, 2017

System No. 3210008

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East Quincy Community Services District
179 Rogers Ave.
Quincy, CA 95971

Attention: Michael Green, General Manager

TRANSMITTAL OF CITATION NO. 01-02-17C-005

Dear Mr. Green,

The State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water, has issued the East Quincy Services District water system a citation, which is attached.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call Stephen Rooklidge at (530) 224-2413 or me at (530) 224-4800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael J. McNamara".

Michael J. McNamara, P.E.
Lassen District Engineer
Drinking Water Field Operations Branch

cc: Gerald Sipe, Plumas County Environmental Health Department

Enclosure: Citation No. 01-02-17C-0005

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**CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS,
TITLE 22, SECTION 64426.1(b) - WATER SYSTEM NO. 3210008
C I T A T I O N N O . 01-02-17C-005
Issued on March 15, 2017**

Section 116650 of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes the issuance of a citation to a public water system for violation of the California Safe Drinking Water Act (Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with Section 116270) (hereinafter “California SDWA”), or any regulation, standard, permit or order issued or adopted thereunder.

The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "Board"), acting by and through its Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") and the Deputy Director for the Division (hereinafter "Deputy Director"), hereby issues a citation to the East Quincy Services District (hereinafter, District) (179 Rogers Ave, Quincy, CA 95971) for violation of California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Section 64426.1(b)(2).

APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES**Section 116650 of California Health and Safety Code provides:**

(a) If the department determines that a public water system is in violation of this chapter or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder, the department may issue a citation to the public water system. The citation shall be served upon the public water system personally or by certified mail. Service shall be deemed effective as of the date of personal service or the date of receipt of the certified mail. If a person to whom a citation is directed refuses to accept delivery of the certified mail, the date of service shall be deemed to be the date of mailing.

(b) Each citation shall be in writing and shall describe the nature of the violation or violations, including a reference to the statutory provision, standard, order, citation, permit, or regulation alleged to have been violated.

(c) A citation may specify a date for elimination or correction of the condition constituting the violation.

(d) A citation may include the assessment of a penalty as specified in subdivision (e).

(e) The department may assess a penalty in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each day that a violation occurred, and for each day that a violation continues to occur. A separate penalty may be assessed for each violation.

California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64426.1, subsection (b) provides, in relevant part:

(b) A public water system is in violation of the total coliform MCL [maximum contaminant level] when any of the following occurs:

1 (2) For a public water system which collects fewer than 40
2 samples per month, more than one sample collected during any month is
3 total coliform-positive; or
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5 **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

6 The East Quincy Services District water system is located within the boundaries of the
7 District along Highway 70. The domestic water system is classified as a community
8 water system. As such, the District is required to collect three routine bacteriological
9 sample during each month. The District is supplied water by six ground water
10 sources known as Wells 3210008-001, 002, 004, 007, 008, 009.
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12 On February 14, 2017, a routine bacteriological sample was collected from the
13 District's distribution system, which was found to contain total coliform bacteria. Three
14 of the nine repeat bacteriological samples collected on February 17, 2017, were also
15 found to contain total coliform bacteria, and a sample from Well 02 was one of the
16 repeat positive samples. The well and distribution system were then flushed and nine
17 additional repeat samples were collected on February 21, 2017. All of these samples
18 were absent of total coliform bacteria. Public notification was made in accordance
19 with Division requirements and a completed Level 1 Assessment Form was submitted
20 during the month of March 2017. The use of Well 02 was discontinued, and additional
21 disinfection and flushing will be completed before future samples are collected.
22 Although the region had experienced excessive rains throughout the winter, and the
23 groundwater table was high, no cause for the contamination of Well 02 was found.
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25 **DETERMINATIONS**

26 Based on the above Statement of Facts, the Division has determined that the District
27 violated Section 64426.1(b)(2), Title 22, of the CCR, in that the District exceeded the



1 total coliform MCL during the month of February 2017. Routine sampling was
2 completed in accordance with the District's Bacteriological Sampling Site Plan.

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4 **DIRECTIVES**

5 The District is hereby directed to take the following actions:

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7 1. Comply with Section 64426.1, Title 22, of the CCR in all future monitoring
8 periods.
9 2. Complete and return Attachment 'A' entitled "Compliance Certification" by **April**
10 **15, 2017.**
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12 All documents required by this Citation to be submitted to the Department shall be
13 submitted to the following address:

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15 Michael J. McNamara, P. E.
16 Lassen District Engineer
17 State Water Resources Control Board
18 Division of Drinking Water
19 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 101
20 Redding, CA 96002
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22 As used in this Citation, the date of issuance shall be the date of this Citation; and the
23 date of service shall be the date of service of this Citation, personal or by certified
24 mail, on the Water System.

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26 Nothing in this Citation relieves the District of its obligation to meet the requirements
27 of Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4 (California Safe Drinking
28 Water Act), or any regulation, permit, standard or order issued or adopted thereunder.
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1 The Division reserves the right to make such modifications to this Citation, as it may
2 deem necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be
3 issued as amendments to this Citation and shall be effective upon issuance.

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5 **PARTIES BOUND**

6 This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the District, its officers, directors,
7 shareholders, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.

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9 **SEVERABILITY**

10 The Directives of this Citation are severable, and the District shall comply with each
11 and every provision thereof, notwithstanding the effectiveness of any other provision.

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13 **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

14 The California SDWA authorizes the Board to: issue citation with assessment of
15 administrative penalties to a public water system for violation or continued violation of
16 the requirements of the California SDWA or any permit, regulation, or order issued or
17 adopted thereunder including, but not limited to, failure to correct a violation identified
18 in a citation or compliance order. The California SDWA also authorizes the Board to
19 take action to suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water
20 system if the system has violated applicable law or failed to comply with an order of
21 the Board; and to petition the superior court to take enforcement measures against a
22 public water system that has failed to comply with an order of the Board. The Board
23 does not waive any further enforcement action by issuance of this citation.

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Michael J. McNamara

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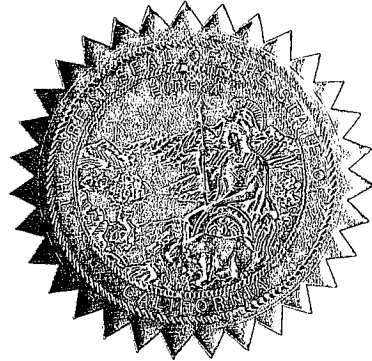
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COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

Citation Number: **01-02-17C-005**

Name of Water System: **East Quincy SD**

System Number: **3210008**

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I certify that the users of the water supplied by this water system were notified of the violations of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) for the compliance period of February 2017. In addition, I certify that the East Quincy SD water system complied with the directives of this citation as indicated below:

<u>Required Action</u>	<u>Date Completed</u>
Public Notification by direct mail to customers.	_____
Public Notification by posting on EQSD website.	_____
_____	_____
Signature of Water System Representative	Date

Attach a copy of the notice posted on the EQSD website and sent by direct mail to the water system customers.

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2017.

Disclosure: Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code states that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached order may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.